

INDIANA AND MICHIGAN STATE HAPPENINGS

PROTECTS EMPLOYEES
OF SMALLER TOWNS

Compensation Act Interpreted
in Michigan to Cover Work-
ers For Villages.

LANSING, Mich., Dec. 24.—Two opinions by the Michigan court of last resort rendered on the compensation law as affecting employees of municipalities are regarded as among the most important decisions in years, and as a result of the interpretation of the supreme judges, employees of cities and villages will hereafter receive compensation if they are injured and their families will receive financial aid if employees are killed while in the discharge of their duties.

The principal case came from Wayne county where the city of Detroit had refused to abide by the decision of the industrial accident board, which awarded compensation to Mrs. Mary Wood, when her husband, an employee of the city water plant, was killed. The other case was from Sault Ste. Marie where the city denied liability when William Purdy was hit by an automobile while he was sweeping the city streets. In each case the municipality declared the law to be unconstitutional insofar as it applied to cities. The supreme court declares that municipal employees are covered by the act.

The supreme court also held that Mrs. Rose Papinaw, whose husband was killed at Port Huron, June 30, while in the employ of the Grand Trunk, is entitled to compensation from the railroad company and she will receive one-half his weekly pay for a period of 300 weeks.

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PIONEER IS DEAD

Hudson Woman Had Lived in Town
For 32 Years.

HUDSON, Mich., Dec. 24.—Miss Mary Hart, who had been a resident of Hudson for the last 32 years, is dead at her home on Maple Grove av. She had been in poor health for a number of years, due to a general break down, but had only been confined to her bed two weeks when death claimed her. She was 74 years old, and is survived by two brothers, George Hart of this city, and Rev. Chas. Hart of Gobelville, Mich. The funeral will be held from the home of her brother, George, Lincoln st., Rev. C. M. Thompson of the Methodist Episcopal church officiating. Burial will be in Maple Grove cemetery.

PREFARES CHARTER

Ludington Commission is Drafting
Document For City.

LUDINGTON, Mich., Dec. 24.—The charter commission, employed in drafting the new charter for Ludington, has the document now ready for the printer, and the special election to be held for its adoption or rejection by the people is set for Jan. 17. The commissioners have voted themselves a salary of \$100 each, a sum slightly less than the legal amount of \$2 per day allowed for such service, with \$200 to City Atty. Mathews for legal services.

SEPARATED FOR HOUR

Aged Couple Die Almost at Same
Time.

RICHMOND, Ind., Dec. 24.—Mr. and Mrs. Barney Lipke, pioneer farmers of this section, died within an hour of each other at their home in Casco township of pneumonia. Mr. Lipke, who was 81 years old, was the first to succumb to the disease. Mrs. Lipke was 70 years of age. They were the parents of 12 surviving children, 10 of whom reside in this county, and two in Elmer, Sanilac county.

YOUTH IS KILLED BY CAR

Motorman Sees Body But Can't
Stop Car.

INDIANAPOLIS, Dec. 24.—Police today are trying to learn how Ray Unversaw, 19 years old, came to be lying on the N. Illinois street car tracks at Twenty-seventh st. last night. The motorman saw him too late, the car crushing the youth. He died soon after at St. Vincent's hospital. The street light at the corner was not burning.

DIES DURING OPERATION

Boy Made Plans For Christmas Re-
fore Going to Hospital.

HAMMOND, Ind., Dec. 24.—Dorothy Mitchell, 12 years old, died at St. Margaret's hospital here during an operation for the removal of her tonsils and when under an anesthetic. Before walking to the hospital he planned his Christmas presents with his mother and assisted her with her housework. J. T. Graham, county coroner, will hold an inquest.

USE NOVEL MEANS TO
GET WINTER FUEL SUPPLY.

COLUMBUS, Ind., Dec. 24.—How to get wood to last the Garden City Christian church through the winter bothered some of the members of the church, which is situated two miles southwest of this city. Then somebody suggested "wood chopping and sawing." The members of the church turned out yesterday, cut down trees, sawed the logs into the proper lengths and then split the blocks into stove wood.

Mrs. Mack Neptune, one of the members of the church, served dinner at noon. The Rev. W. H. Book, pastor of the Tabernacle Christian church of this city, used a cross-cut saw a part of the day.

BANK ROBBER HELD
BY CAPITAL POLICE

Robert B. Moore is Said to be
Wanted at Butte,
Mont.

INDIANAPOLIS, Dec. 24.—Robert B. Moore, 24 years old, of Butte, Mont., said to be wanted in Montana, Colo., on a charge of bank robbing, was held under heavy bond Thursday in police court and his case continued for a week while an investigation is made of his past record. Moore's picture was found in the police records and when accused of being the Colorado bank robber, he laughed. He said it was fortunate for detectives, who arrested him Wednesday night in a hotel lobby that he did not see them first for he was regarded as a bad man back west. When taken he carried a big revolver in each of his inside coat pockets. Police got into communication with the Colorado authorities Thursday.

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DROPS FIVE STORIES;
ONLY SPRAINS WRIST

Detroit Worker Proves Himself to
be the "Human Rubber Ball."

DETROIT, Mich., Dec. 24.—George Soubel, while working on a new building, missed his footing and fell five stories to the ground. To the amazement of bystanders he walked unassisted to a police patrol wagon and then walked into the operating room of the receiving hospital, where it was discovered his only injury was a sprained wrist.

"The human rubber ball," commented the physician in attendance.

JOHN W. NEWTON DIES

Well Known Winchester Man Was
Ill Only Two Days.

WINCHESTER, Ind., Dec. 24.—John W. Newton, 61 years old, a well-known attorney, died of pneumonia at his home in East Washington st., yesterday afternoon. He is survived by the widow, Mrs. Ella Newton, one daughter, Mrs. Fleda Albert, of Kansas City, Mo.; one brother, George Newton of Anderson, and two sisters, Mrs. Anna E. Hoover, of Omaha, Neb., and Mrs. L. N. Gwyn of Richmond.

Mr. Newton was born in Preble county, O., July 14, 1854, and came to Randolph county, when young. He served as deputy prosecuting attorney for a number of years and practiced in neighboring counties and was well known.

LAW ENFORCEMENT ASKED

Laymen's Christian League at Lin-
ton Adopts Resolution.

LINTON, Ind., Dec. 24.—Resolutions have been adopted by the Laymen's Christian League, here, asking that the city and county authorities enforce the laws against the illegal sale of intoxicants, gambling and other unlawful practices. The league says the laws "are being openly and continually violated" in Linton.

The organization has a membership of 225 voters and was formed at the conclusion of a church evangelistic campaign here, last October. Two hundred of the members recently visited the city council and the city authorities in behalf of the movement for a strict enforcement of the laws.

GUILTY OF BIGAMY

South Bend Man Paroled at Ander-
son by Court.

ANDERSON, Ind., Dec. 24.—Fred Smith, 32 years old, of South Bend, recently of Elwood, was paroled in the circuit court today, after pleading guilty to the charge of bigamy. He testified that when he married a second time at South Bend, about a year ago, he was under the impression that his former wife, at Elwood, had obtained a divorce nearly three years ago. He said he had received a marked copy of a newspaper in which there was a story to the effect that a divorce had been granted a Mrs. Fred Smith, and he presumed the person named was his first wife, whereas it was another Mrs. Fred Smith. Smith has no children.

Rag time dance given by W. O. W. at Crumstown, Ind., Saturday evening, Dec. 24.—Adv.

NO AGREEMENT MADE
BY ELKHART MOOSE

Elkhart Progressives Say No
Action Will be Taken
Until January.

ELKHART, Ind., Dec. 24.—That such a thing was possible, but that to this time no agreement had been reached between republicans and progressives of Elkhart county whereby no bull moose ticket would enter the field, is the emphatic declaration of men prominent in both parties here.

Regarding the statement made by L. W. Vail, district leader of the progressives during the last campaign, L. D. Hall, progressive county chairman, doubts Mr. Vail's authorship of the sentence relative to an agreement between the old and new factions.

That the question as to whether a progressive ticket will be placed in the field at the March primaries will be settled at the annual meeting of the Elkhart moose, which is to be held at Goshen Saturday, Jan. 15, is Hall's opinion. Officers will be elected at this time.

Such an agreement might be possible with the proper spirit being manifested by the republican leaders, Mr. Hall says. Wilson Roese, another progressive leader, says he has heard talk along these lines but is sure no agreement has been made at this time.

F. B. Ziegler, while acknowledging that such a move would undoubtedly be proper, does not believe anything definite has been agreed upon. However, he states Mr. Vail was advocating such a movement.

IS PLACED ON TRIAL

Dan Connors Charged With Attempt
to Wreck Train.

HAMMOND, Ind., Dec. 24.—More than 20 witnesses have been summoned by the state to testify in the case of Dan Connors, a young man of Dyer, who is charged with an attempt to wreck a Monon passenger train. The trial now is going on in the circuit court here.

Peter Crumpacker, an attorney for the railroad, who is assisting the prosecution, said in his opening statement to the jury, that testimony would be produced to show that Connors was moved to try to wreck the train by either a desire for revenge or robbery. He declared that Connors was put off the train once at Louisville, and that he had made threats that he would get even with Ira King, the brakeman.

Counsel for Connors said testimony would be introduced to show the innocence of the defendant. The train ran into an open switch at Dyer, which the railroad officials said had been tampered with.

MINER FALLS 510 FEET

John Sims is Killed Near Vincen-
nes in Accident.

VINCENNES, Ind., Dec. 24.—John Sims was killed near here today when he fell 510 feet from the tangle to the bottom of the Oliphant Johnson coal mine. Every bone in his body was broken.

Sims was 50 years old and married. He recently came here from Harrisburg, Ill. At the time of the accident he had just completed a night's work in the mine. He missed a step at the top of the shaft.

Walter Fulford, another miner, died in a hospital here today of injuries received when he was crushed by a fall of slate. His right upper jaw was broken, the base of his skull fractured and his right leg broken. Fulford lived at Edwardsport. The body will be taken there for burial. He was 23 years old.

RUN DOWN BY TRAIN

J. W. Ashenhurst Suffers Fractured
Skull at Crawfordsville.

CRAWFORDSVILLE, Ind., Dec. 24.—Run down by a Big Four freight train at a crossing near the junction, J. W. Ashenhurst, 58 years old, 162 E. Main st., suffered a distinct fracture of the skull and a severe three-cornered gash in the back of his head. The injuries, it is thought, will not prove fatal unless inflammation or other unexpected complications arise, according to Dr. S. L. Ensminger, the railroad's physician, who attended Mr. Ashenhurst. The injured man was taken to his home and this afternoon he was reported as resting easily.

VALUATION IS PLACED

Richmond Light Plant is Valued at
\$174,155.

INDIANAPOLIS, Dec. 24.—The public service commission today fixed the valuation of the Richmond Light, Heat & Power Co. at \$174,155, the price to be paid by the city to the private corporation. Because of the excessive competition with the municipal plant the privately owned company contended it could not exist and that the city would have to take it over.

TRAVERSE CITY, Mich.—The Michigan Mutual Automobile Insurance society has launched here and permission has been granted by the state insurance department to write policies upon automobiles covering loss by fire, lightning, accident and personal injury to the owner.

GERMAN TROOPS
WIN IN ALSACE

Drive French From Peak and
Report Capture of 1,-
553 Prisoners.

LONDON, Dec. 24.—Hartmannsweller-Kopf, the Alsatian peak that dominates the great roads into the upper Rhine country, is again in German hands, according to the Berlin military official report.

Taken by the French on the 21st, with a reported loss to the Germans of about 1,500 men, the Kaiser's men have never ceased in their counterattacks to regain the Vosges stronghold. Thursday they announce its recapture with severe losses to the French in dead, wounded and missing.

French Admit Repulse.
The French admit a repulse, but not the total loss of all they had gained.

The German official report says: "During hot fighting yesterday a brave regiment of the eighty-second Landwehr brigade recaptured the summit of Hartmannsweller-Kopf. The French suffered extraordinarily severe losses and left 23 officers and 1,530 men in our hands."

"We are now busy clearing some portions of a trench on the northern slope which is still occupied by the French."

"The figures given in the French report of yesterday evening regarding the fighting around Hartmannsweller-Kopf on the 21st instant are exaggerated by at least one-half. Our total losses including all the killed, wounded and missing so far as at present ascertained, amount to 1,000 men."

DANIELS TO GIVE OUT
SUPPRESSED REPORT

Defends Action by Saying None of
Other Boards Made Public
Any of Reports.

WASHINGTON, Dec. 24.—Sec'y of the Navy Daniels Thursday capitulated to the demand for publication of the suppressed report of the navy general board. He said he would consider the advisability of giving the report to the press for publication Monday morning.

The secretary admitted that the suppressed July report was made at the direction of Pres't Wilson who requested the expert advice of the general board as to "what the navy must be in the future" to stand on equality with other naval powers.

This request was made by the president after the second Lusitania note had been sent to Germany and relations with that nation were strained to the breaking point.

The general board met this request by submitting a program designed to "make the navy equal to the most powerful maintained by any other nation of the world" by not later than 1925.

Sec'y Daniels defended his action in suppressing the July report of the general board by declaring that none of his predecessors had made public any of the reports of the general board while he had given out the three annual reports made to him by the board.

OFFERS TWO MILLIONS
TO QUEEN OF ITALY

New York Woman Gives Money to
Distribute Among Families
of Combatants.

ROME, Dec. 24.—The Stefano News agency says that Mrs. Josephine Del Drago of New York has offered \$2,000,000 to the queen of Italy for distribution among the families of combatants and that the queen has accepted the offer with profound thanks.

NEW YORK, Dec. 24.—Mrs. Josephine Del Drago was born in Covington, Ky., her maiden name being Kleiner. Her first husband, August Schmid, died in 1889 and left her a fortune estimated between \$10,000,000 and \$20,000,000. On May 22, 1909, Mrs. Schmid was married in the church of the Sacred Heart, Brooklyn, to Prince Giovanni Del Drago, fourth son of the head of a famous family which traces its origin as far back as 1133. Mrs. Del Drago is president of a large New York brewery company.

KING AND QUEEN QUARREL

Spouse of Ferdinand Objects to Hus-
band With Germans.

PARIS, Dec. 24.—A violent quarrel has occurred between King Ferdinand of Bulgaria and Queen Eleono because the former is fighting with the Teutons, according to a Balkan correspondent of the Figaro. When the king expelled the French nuns from Bulgaria and the queen helped them to reach Roumania, so the story runs, she told the mother superior that Ferdinand had imperiled the throne and placed himself beyond the pale of Europe.

According to the same source of information, Crown Prince Boris also attacked his father, accusing him of treachery and refused to accept the appointment of commander-in-chief of the Bulgarian army. The king, it is further alleged, is keeping the crown prince a prisoner in the palace.

500 pieces hand painted china appropriate for Xmas gifts, by Clara Schaefer at Gas office.—Adv.

GRANDSON OF LESLIE
LOSES IN WILL SUIT

Court Rules He is Not Next of
Kin of Baroness
De Bassus.

NEW YORK, Dec. 24.—Surrogate Fowler Thursday decided that Arthur Leslie, grandson of Frank Leslie, the former publisher, is not one of the next of kin of Mrs. Frank Leslie, known as the Baroness De Bassus. The surrogate denied young Leslie's application to set aside the decree probating Mrs. Leslie's will.

Mrs. Leslie willed the bulk of her \$2,000,000 estate to Mrs. Carrie Chapman Catt for the cause of woman suffrage. This will was admitted to probate after all interested parties had been cited.

Arthur Leslie contended that, as Mrs. Leslie had no next of kin of her own, the next of kin of her husband are entitled to contest her will. In presenting proof young Leslie's lawyers maintained that Mrs. Leslie was the daughter of a white father and a Negro mother. The surrogate, in overruling all of the points, said:

"It is only in cases where pedigree is directly involved that pedigree evidence is admissible. This is not such a case. Mr. Leslie's heirs at law have no interest in the determination of Mrs. Leslie's heirs at law."

BIG COPPER SALE MADE

200,000,000 Pounds Sold at Over
\$10,000,000.

BOSTON, Dec. 24.—The Boston News bureau says that about 200,000,000 pounds of copper was sold Thursday, more than in any previous 24 hours in the world's history.

Its gross value exceeds \$40,000,000 as the price was 20 cents per pound or better. The British government bought 134,400,000 pounds in one block of the Anaconda Co. This metal will be apportioned among producers, mainly clients of the American Smelting and Refining Co. The market has now been swept bare of spot copper.

MILLIONAIRE KILLED

California Banker Shot by Real
Estate Dealer.

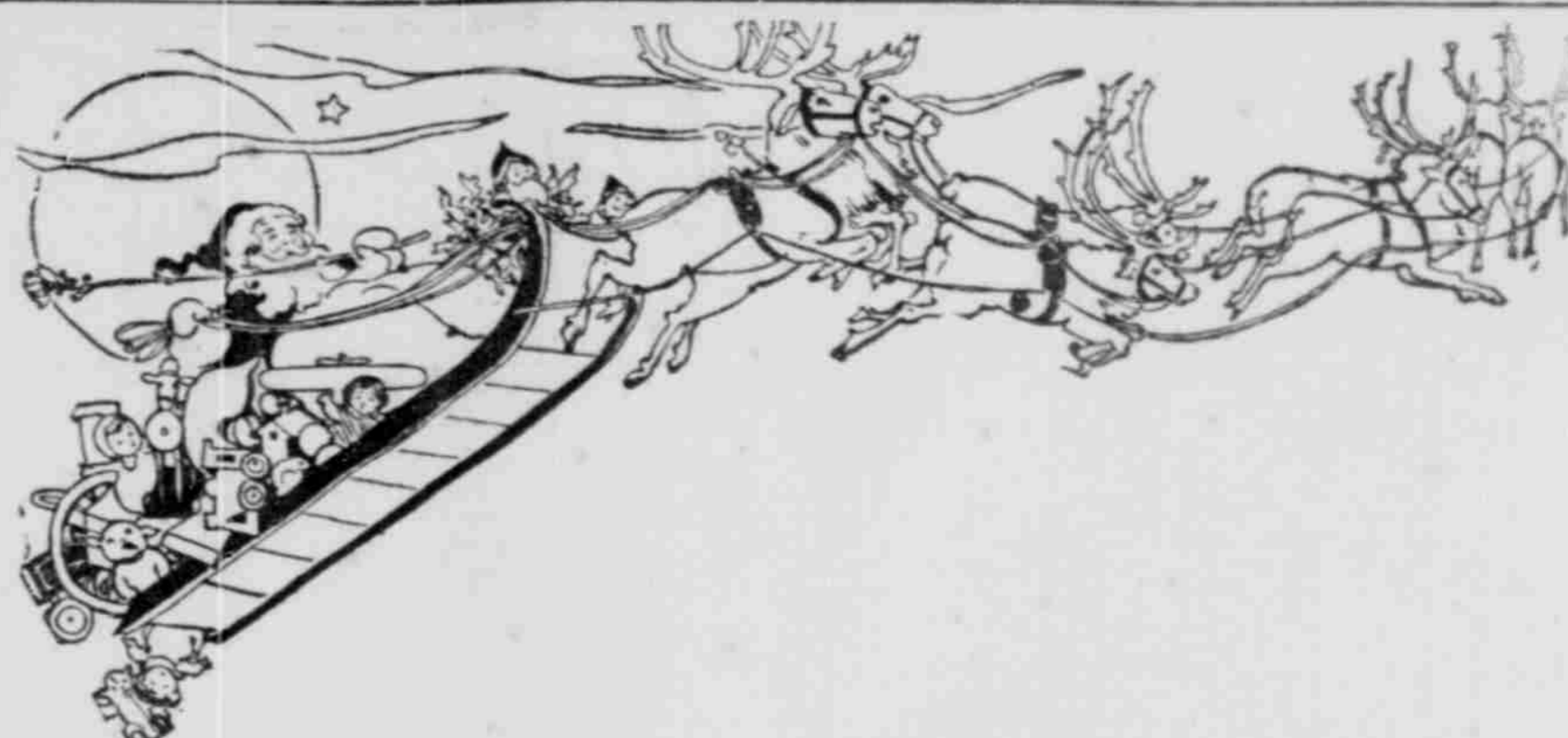
LOS ANGELES, Calif., Dec. 24.—Burt W. Richardson, vice-president of the First National bank of Trappico, Cal., millionaire land owner in that section and formerly a resident of Chicago, was shot and killed Thursday at the entrance to the Forest Lawn cemetery on the San Bernardino road by Thomas Mizar, a real estate dealer. He was captured by a posse.

CARRIED HUGE CARGO

Jap Ship, Submarine Victim, Loaded
With \$12,500,000 Worth.

TOKIO, Dec. 24.—The Japanese steamer Yazaka Maru, sunk Tuesday in the Mediterranean by a submarine, carried \$12,500,000 in Japanese gold.

The insurance on the vessel amounts to \$2,800,000.

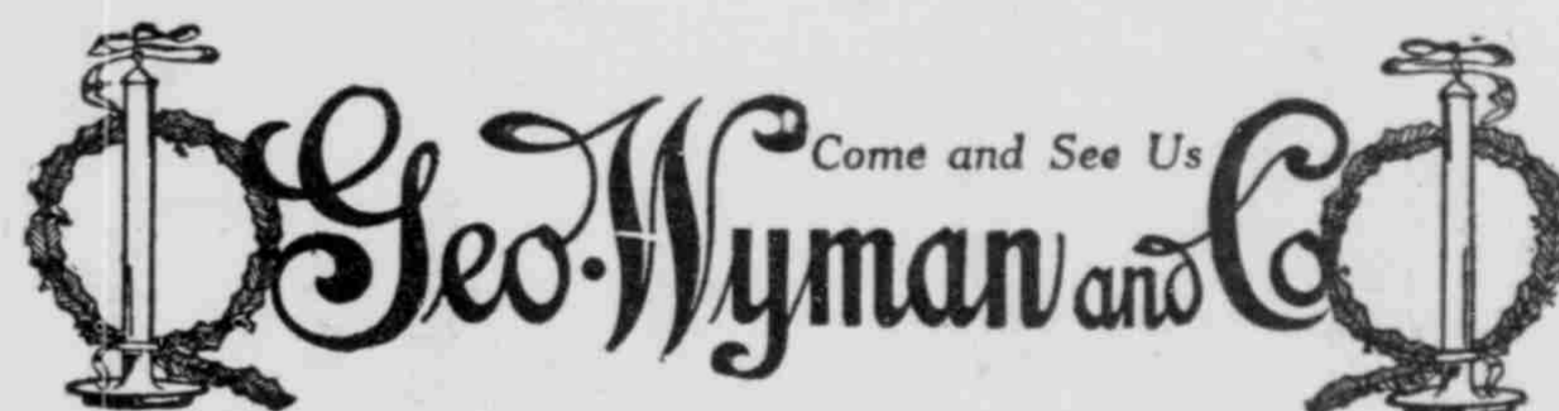


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ly the Newest Styles in Coats, Suits, Dresses and Waists.